

Old World Gossip

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Every one of the powers represented in the International Postal Union has a host of its adherents to the principle of the liability of correspondence entrusted to it for transmission through the mails, and indignantly repudiates the suggestion of maintaining anything in the nature of the so-called "Black Cabinet" for the surreptitious opening and perusal of letters while in transit. Yet the operations of the "Black Cabinet" are just as much in force today in Europe as they ever were, and Russia is very far from being the only great power that has recourse to its services.

Thus Paul Revell, former ambassador, resident-general in Tunis, the most successful Governor-General who ever ruled over Algeria, and who has just passed away in his estate in Provence, may be said to have been a victim of the Cabinet Noir in France. For while Governor-General of Algeria he wrote a confidential letter to one of his most intimate friends in Paris, in which he expressed his opinion very freely about Edgar Combes, who had been implicated in the scandal in connection with the confiscation by the government of the great monastery of the Chartreuse.

This letter was opened in transit by the French Cabinet Noir, and before being delivered, with seals apparently intact, to the post of ambassador, was communicated to Prime Minister Combes, and, although he himself had not been mentioned in the letter, yet he was so embittered by the uncomfortable references to his name that he at once dismissed Paul Revell from his vicereignty of Algeria.

One of Premier Combes's successors, Prime Minister Rouvier, restored Revell to the government, and by appointing him a plenipotentiary of France at the International Congress of Algiers, on the subject of Morocco, and Revell was the life and soul of the congress, and his ready wit and his readiness to reduce even the most serious things to entertaining verse. He did so well, indeed, at Algiers that he was promoted from thence to the post of ambassador at Berlin, and then as ambassador at Madrid, where he became a great favorite of King Alfonso, who found delight in his witty sallies.

Revell remained in the embassy at Madrid in order to become governor of the Ottoman Bank at Constantinople, a most lucrative and influential position. But his health gave way, after he had been a year at Constantinople, and he turned home to his beautiful place in Provence to die, prematurely and universally regretted. He was the son of that famous architect, Henri Revell, of the Institute of France, to whom the restoration of so many of the finest ancient cathedrals of Southern France is due.

The many thousands of Devonians in this Western Hemisphere will be interested to learn that from November 2 next the towns of Devonport and of Stonehouse will be united to the town of Plymouth, and that the so-called "three towns" will from that time on be completely amalgamated, and form but one municipal borough.

The government, especially the naval and military authorities, has taken a leading part in bringing about this unification, which will simplify matters for it in a considerable manner. For, as things have stood until now, all official communications, particularly those of an emergency character, have had to be addressed to the heads of the three independent boroughs, with the danger always that there would be no united action on the part of the addressees in carrying out the requests and demands of the government.

The amalgamation will have the effect of converting Plymouth into a great seaport as Portsmouth, and it is quite on the cards that in due course it may surpass the latter, owing to the huge government works on the land and another, notably the new dock yards, which have been projected, and which are already in course of construction.

Plymouth plays so great a role in the naval history of England, a history which, at any rate in the earlier stages, is likewise that of the United States and Canada, that this change in its fortunes cannot fail to prove of interest to many on this side of the Atlantic.

General Eugene von Falkenhayn, who has just been appointed grand master of the household and principal chamberlain of the German Empress, in succession to old Baron von Mirbach, retired on account of age, is the elder brother of the Kaiser's Minister of War, General Erich von Falkenhayn.

General Eugene von Falkenhayn is a man of sixty, and is an old and trusted friend of the Imperial family. For after having spent three years as military attaché of the German embassy in Paris, he was selected by the Emperor within a year after his accession to take charge of his two eldest sons, the crown prince and Prince Eitel Fritz, as their military governor. He remained their mentor, and responsible not only for their military and general education, but also for their welfare and good behavior for the following six or eight years, that is to say, the most impressionable period of their youth, and performed his task with so much tact, sound judgment and firmness of principle, that he has retained ever since the respect and affection of the two princes in question and the gratitude and regard of their parents, the Emperor and particularly of the Empress.

After surrendering his charge of the princes, he was placed in command of the First Dragon Guards, which regiment has had as colonel-in-chief, Queen Victoria, Edward VII. and now the George V. of England. He afterwards commanded the Nineteenth Cavalry Brigade, and then the Eleventh Division, before being retired from active service at his own request, three years ago, to devote himself to the management of his ancestral estate, known as Castle Bolchen. He has a son and two daughters, one of whom the Empress is godmother, and entered the army as an officer of Cuirassiers.

While Great Britain has bestowed not only knighthoods and baronetcies, but also a number of peerages, on members of the Jewish faith, neither Germany nor Austria has ever been willing to raise the members of this race beyond the rank of baron. There were hundreds of Jewish barons in Germany and in Austria, but no counts.

The Rothschilds are said to resent this species of discrimination, and have been bringing pressure to bear upon the Austrian and especially upon the Hungarian government, with a view to having their barony transformed into a countship. The Hungarian government, in particular, is under such heavy obligations to the Rothschilds, in connection with the finances of the Magyar nation, that it has no alternative but to comply with the wishes of the Rothschilds, and for some time past the Rothschilds, Prince Minister Tisza has been endeavoring to induce Emperor Francis Joseph to consent to the promotion, backed in the matter by the Austrian Premier, and by the Minister of Finance of the dual empire.

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Window Screens--Special

made to extend, so as to fit any window; walnut stain.

Special for Monday, only—

High.	Open.	Price.
15	33	10c
18	33	17c
24	33	19c
24	37	23c

Hardwood finished, in oil; "A" quality, black wire; the following sizes, special for Monday only—

High.	Open.	Price.
24	37	24c
28	37	29c
28	41	32c

Greatest of All Sales

Any Woman's Suit in the House



\$12.50
VALUES \$20.
TO \$35.

This has been the greatest Suit Sale we have ever had—hundreds of customers, have taken advantage of this great offering and saved liberally on their Summer Suit purchase.

To add greater zest to this event we purchased the surplus stocks from several manufacturers at big price concessions, and have included them in the original sale offering for to-morrow's sale.

All are positively up to the minute in style, showing short and medium coats, with peg top and tunic effect skirts; the color range is complete, with very appropriate trimmings; fit and tailoring are the best obtainable.

Remember the Values are
\$25, \$30, \$35

A Youthful Figure For You

It is a very simple matter if the form from day to day is properly cared for through the corset. The grand dame with the beautiful figure will "look the part" as long as she chooses if her form is shaped and controlled by the proper corset, so that the muscles of the bust may not drop or the flesh grow flabby.

Bones and muscles must not be tampered with in corset designing. It is the flesh that is modelled in the corset shape, and from season to season the woman, as she grows to the grand dame age, can wear the most youthful fashions if her corset is correct. And your corset will be correct if you let us fit you with one of the new models of

Warner's Rust-Proof Corsets

We have styles for every figure, from the growing girl to the grandmother—lace front and lace back. And every single pair is correct for the figure intended.

From \$1 to \$5 Every Pair Guaranteed

Special Price Inducements
Mid-Summer Millinery

Charming examples of Dressy Hats, in white, in the very latest shapes, developed from the newest straws and fabrics.	\$2.49
Trimmed with flowers, wings or ribbon; some simple, some most lavishly decorated.	\$3.49
	\$4.98
	\$5.98
	\$6.98

Beautiful New Summer Laces

Cotton Net, 36 inches wide; fine mesh; regular 35c, special, 25c	45c
Corset Cover Lace; choice of twenty effective designs; regular 29c, special, 19c	25c
Linen Cluny Lace, 2 to 3 inches wide; regular 39c yard, special, 15c	89c
Oriental Laces, 2 to 5 inches wide, in white or ecru; neat patterns for sleeves, special for only, 19c	2c

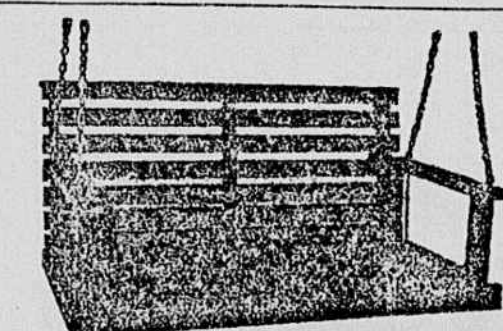
Children's Summer Dresses

Two very special bargains for Monday that every mother should take advantage of.

Children's Gingham and Percale Dresses, in high or low neck styles, pretty patterns and colors; well made and good variety of pretty models; regular price \$1; special at 79c	\$1.25
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Shoe Specials for Monday

Children's \$1.25 Instep Strap Pumps, in all leathers, sizes 10 to 12, 79c	99c
Children's \$1.50 One and Two Strap Pumps, in all leathers; sizes from 8-12 to 11, 99c	\$1.29
Misses' \$2.00 Fine Quality Pumps, in patent, gummetal and tan leathers; sizes 11-12 to 12, 99c	\$1.49
Large Girls' Low Shoes, in black and tan leathers, worth up to \$2.50; sizes 21-22, 49c	99c
Infants' Patent Leather Vamp and Kid Top Lace Shoes, sold at 75c; reduced to 49c	
Women's Juliette, very soft and flexible, with rubber heels; \$1.50 value; special, 99c	



\$3.50 Porch Swings, \$1.95

Just received another shipment of this elegant Porch Swing, complete with chains and hooks, for \$1.95

\$2.69 Dining Chair, \$1.69

This massive solid oak Dining Chair, in golden oak, early English or turned; covered in Dist. leather, \$1.60.

EVERYTHING COSTS LESS AT

WEISBERGER'S

RICHMOND'S GREAT STORE

Stylish Wash Skirts

Women's Wash Skirts, made of fine quality pique, strictly tailored models and well made; trimmed with buttons; worth \$1.00, special 75c

New Spring Skirts, made of fine quality pique and ratine, trimmed with buttons and self-materials; styles are both plain and overskirt effects; while the fit and workmanship are exceptionally good; worth 95c \$1.25, special 95c

White Pique and Ratine Skirts, for women and misses, in tunic and plain tailored effects; self and button trimmed, \$1.25

White Pique Skirts, made with tunic and overskirt effects; nicely trimmed with buttons and self-materials; well tailored and perfect fitting; \$1.69 worth \$2.50, special at 1.69



New Summer Silks

27-inch Pongee Linen, made in Belfast, Ireland, of the finest grade flax, insuring them to be all linen; adapted to many purposes, being ideal for waists, dresses and children's wear; the best linen imported to this country; a 25c bargain for 1.00

1.00 French Ratines, the acme of perfection in weave and finish; correct weight for dresses and suits; they are becoming more popular every day, and are going to be much more during the summer; all colors, 60c

36-inch Tub Silks; extremely fine quality; absolutely fast colors and much in demand for summer dresses, waists, men's shirts, underclothing and pajamas; white grounds, with line stripes, in all colors; excellent \$1 value, 85c at 85c

36-inch Black Silk Poplin, beautiful, lustrous quality, with a soft ruffle finish, falling in soft rich folds; so desirable for present day costumes; standard \$1.00 85c value, special 85c

Linens and Domestic

72-inch Mercerized Table Damask, full bleached and in a range of pretty dots, stripes and floral patterns; a quality well worth 65c, Monday 49c

30-inch White Madras; a new lot of this desirable shirting just received, in a pretty line of fancy designs and stripes; all fast colors; a quality that sells at 29c, for Monday 11c

1 case of full double bed size White Crochet Spread; good heavy weight; bleached to a snowy whiteness; very pretty Marcella 98c patterns; worth \$1.25 98c

Extra fine quality of 36-inch Bleached Muslin; a very fine soft weave; perfectly woven and splendidly adapted for the making of underclothes and night wear; an extra good value at 19c, special 7c

Petticoat Specials

Women's Silk Messaline and Mercerized Petticoats; very fine quality, made with a deep dust ruffle, all colors and perfect fitting; worth \$1.25 and \$1.50, special at 95c

Women's All-Silk Messaline Petticoats, with deep ruffle and patent jersey seams, that will outwear all others on the market; worth \$3.00, very special \$1.99

Stylish New Waists

Women's New Voile Waists, in splendid designs, trimmed at collar and cuffs; worth 59c; special 39c

Women's New Spring Waists, made of crepe and voiles, with the best of the season's style features; worth 89c each, special at 59c

Women's Lingerie and Fancy Waists, in fine new spring designs; well made and worth \$1.50, special 95c

Women's Lingerie, China and Tub Silk Waists, in new spring and summer flowered styles; new collar effect and well tailored; worth \$2.50, special for 1.95



Women's Lingerie Waists, in beautiful new styles; prettily designed and very nicely made; worth \$1.00, special at 79c

Women's New Lingerie and Voile Waists, in beautiful summer designs; newest style neck and well made; worth \$2.00, special at \$1.49

The Big Sale Will Continue All Week

MEN'S \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.00 and \$25.00 SUITS

Wonderful Sale---Remarkable Values at

Eager buying is directly the result of the big values. Two, three suits and sometimes more to a buyer. We expect even bigger crowds for the rest of the week—as the news of the great sale spreads.

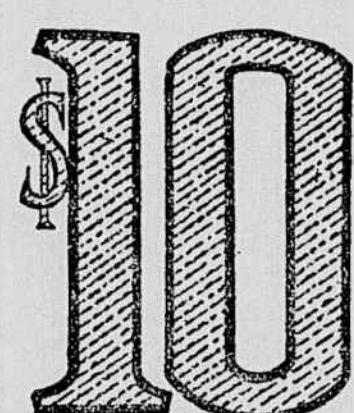
Suits from the best New York, Chicago and Rochester makers, in

**Sunproof Blue Serges
Nobby Patterns in Cassimeres
All-Wool Fancy Worsteds
Smart Novelty Velours**

They're all this season's styles, including the latest in single-breasted two and three-button models in conservative, English and semi-English effects.

**EVERY SUIT WITH THIS GUARANTEE:
"SATISFACTION OR MONEY REFUNDED"**

Suits for all men—tall men, short men, stout men, large men and small men. Nothing in suit values in town to begin to equal those of this sale, in materials, styles patterns and workmanship. Men's Clothing Section—First Floor.



\$20 Reed Carriage, \$12.95

This Heavy Roll Reed Carriage, tested steel springs; large rubber tread wheels; positively worth \$20.00; our price \$12.95.



Refrigerators

built of solid oak, kiln dried, perfect insulation; dry air circulation.

\$8.50 lift cover style, galvanized throughout, 30 lbs. ice capacity; special Monday, \$4.98

\$10.00 side door style, white enameled lined food chambers, 40 lbs. ice capacity; special Monday, \$6.39

\$15.00 lift cover style, white enameled food chambers, 50 lbs. ice capacity; special Monday, \$8.98

\$18.00 Apartment House Box, white enameled lined food chambers, 50 lbs. ice capacity; special Monday, \$12.95

\$25.00 side door style, white enameled food chambers, 75 lbs. ice capacity; special Monday, \$14.39

\$20.00 lift cover style, white enameled food chambers, 75 lbs. ice capacity; special Monday, \$10.98

NO MATTER WHAT YOU BUY EVERYTHING COSTS LESS AT WEISBERGER'S